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| 11, 2007 as the initial deadline for response. This Response is therefore believed to be timely | | |
| filed and no fees are believed to be necessary. | | |
| Consideration in light of the following is respectfully requested. | | |
| Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. | | |
| Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 9 of this paper. | | |
| Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 10 of this paper. | | |
| Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper. | | |
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